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SUMMARY: KIRK'S STATE VISIT TO INDONESIA CONTINUES
TO ATTRACT FRIENDLY AND WIDESPREAD PRESS PUBLICITY.
FOLLOWING SPEECH TO PARLIAMENT (REFTEL) KIRK
MET

WITH FONMIN MALIK TO DISCUSS, AMONG OTHER MATTERS,
CONCEPT OF SUBREGIONAL SOUTH PACIFIC COOPERATIVE
ASSOCIATION. MALIK ENDORSED CONCEPT AND SAID ANZUS
WAS NO BARRIER TO ITS REALIZATION AND SUGGESTED NEW
ZEALAND SHOULD TAKE INITIATIVE IN CONSULTATIONS

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CONCERNING ITS FORMATION. KIRK LATER MET WITH

GOI ECONOMIC LEADERS AND DISCUSSED INCREASING TRADE AND POSSIBLE NEW ZEALAND INVESTMENT IN INDONESIAN OIL SECTOR. HE ALSO MET WITH GOI DEFENSE CHIEFS AND IT WAS ANNOUNCED THAT SIX INDONESIAN OFFICERS WILL RECEIVE TRAINING IN NEW ZEALAND IN 1974. FOLLOWING BASED ON PRESS REPORTS DECEMBER 15, 17. END SUMMARY.

1. FOLLOWING 90 MINUTE MEETING BETWEEN KIRK AND MALIK DEC 14, MALIK TOLD PRESS THEY DISCUSSED FORMATION OF SUBREGIONAL SOUTH PACIFIC COOPERATIVE ORGANIZATION. MALIK SAID INDONESIA SUPPORTS THIS CONCEPT BUT THAT HE HAD SUGGESTED TO KIRK THAT NEW ZEALAND SHOULD SPONSOR AND TAKE INITIATIVE IN FORMATION OF SUCH A GROUP AND CONSULTATIONS WITH NATIONS INVITED TO JOIN SUCH AN ORGANIZATION. ACCORDING ANTARA REPORT DEC 15, MALIK SAID KIRK AGREED THAT SUCH CONSULTATIONS SHOULD NOT BE UNDERTAKEN TOO HASTILY.

2. MALIK SAID SUCH AN ORGANIZATION AS HE ENVISAGED IT WOULD NOT IMPOSE RESTRAINTS ON MEMBERS AND WOULD BE SIMILAR TO ASEAN IN SEEKING MEACR FOR JOINT COOPERATION FOR MUTUAL BENEFIT OF MEMBERS. NEW GROUP WOULD ALSO HAVE CLOSE RELATIONS WITH ASEAN, HE SAID. HE DENIED THAT CERTAIN SOUTH PACIFIC NATIONS INCLUDING FIJI HAD REJECTED CONCEPT OF SUBREGIONAL ASSOCIATION, SINCE IDEA HAD NOT YET BEEN PROPOSED TO THEM, AND THEY WERE THEREFORE NOT IN POSITION TO UNDERSTAND CONCEPT. HE ADDED THERE WOULD BE GROWING CONSULTATIONS AMONG SOUTH PACIFIC NATIONS.

3. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION, MALIK SAID ANZUS PACT WAS NO BARRIER TO FORMATION OF NEW SUBREGIONAL ASSOCIATION, AND THAT AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND, AS DEVELOPED NATIONS, COULD PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN NEW ORGANIZATION BY ASSISTING LESS DEVELOPED MEMBERS.

4. MALIK NOTED THAT KIRK HAD EXPRESSED INTEREST IN UNCLASSIFIED

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PARTICIPATION BY NEW ZEALAND IN INDONESIAN OIL DEVELOPMENT. HE SAID PETROLEUM FIELD IS STILL OPEN TO NEW FOREIGN COMPANIES, AND THAT HE HAD INVITED KIRK TO DISCUSS NEW ZEALAND'S INTEREST WITH PERTAMINA, INDONESIA'S STATE-OWNED OIL COMPANY. MALIK SAID HE WAS CERTAIN NEW ZEALAND'S FRIENDLY ATTITUDE TOWARD INDONESIA AND WILLINGNESS TO CONTINUE AND INCREASE ECONOMIC AID WOULD CONTINUE IN FUTURE AND THAT

THIS POLICY WAS SHARED BY BOTH UNDER LABOR AND CONSERVATIVE PARTIES IN NEW ZEALAND.

5. DURING DEC 15 MEETING BETWEEN KIRK AND MINISTER OF MINES SADLI, MINISTER OF MANPOWER SUBROTO AND OTHER TOP GOI ECONOMIC OFFICIALS, INDONESIA SIDE NOTED IMBALANCE OF TRADE BWEEN TWO COUNTRIES FAVORING NEW ZEALAND.(EXPORTS TO INDONESIA IN 1972 WERE \$1,744,000 VS IMPORTS FROM INDONESIA OF \$693,000.) SUBROTO TOLD PRESS AFTER SESSION THAT COMMONWEALTH PREFERENTIAL TARIFFS WERE BARRIER TO INCREASED INDONESIA EXPORTS TO NEW ZEALANDAND THAT GOI HAD SUGGESTED TO KIRK THESE BE LOWERED. HE SAID KIRK HAD INVITED INDONESIA TO PARTICIPATE IN TRADE FAIR TO BE HELD IN NEW ZEALAND IN AUG 1974 AND THAT THE TWO COUNTRIES HAD AGREED TO EXCHANGE TRADE MISSIONS. SADLI REMARKED THAT IN LONG RUN INDONESIA WISHES TO ALTER TRADE PATTERN TOWARD CLOSER TIES WITH IMMEDIATE NEIGHBORS.

6. KIRK ALSO MET DEC 15 WITH INDONESIA MINISTER OF DEFENSE AND ARMED FORCES GENERAL PANGGABEAN AND GENERAL SUMITRO, COMMANDER OF KOPKAMTIB (GOI STATE SECURITY ORGANIZATION). IN CONNECTION WITH MEETING, DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE ANNOUNCED INDONESIA WOULD SEND SIX MILITARY OFFICERS TO NEW ZEALAND IN 1974 FOR DEFENSE MANAGEMENT COURSE.

7. KIRK'S BUSY SCHEDULE DURING LAST FEW DAYS ALSO INCLUDED TV PRESS INTERVIEW, VISIT TO CHILDREN'S REHABILITATION CENTER, AND HELICOPTER TRIP TO RESORT ISLAND OFF COAST OF JAKARTA FOR OVERNIGHT STAY.HE FLEW TO YOGYAKARTA TODAY, DEC 17 TO ADDRESS SESSION OF UNESCO CONFERENCE OF ASIAN MINISTERS OF UNCLASSIFIED

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CULTURE. JOINT COMMUNIQUE (WHICH WE WILL TRANSMIT) WILL BE ISSUED DEC 18 PRIOR TO KIRK'S DEPARTURE FOR KUALA LUMUR. KLIEFORTH

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